

To-day's
Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL.
MESSRS. DALLAS AND MUSGRAVE'S
THEATRICAL SEASON.

TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT!
LAST 2 NIGHTS OF
CHARLES READE'S IMMORTAL DRAMA,
"IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO MEND."

WEDNESDAY, April 19th,
Grand Production of
THE MOST POPULAR PLAY OF THE PERIOD
MRS. HENRY WOOD'S
"EAST LYNNE."

NOTICE.—Owing to to-day being a public holiday, the Plan of Seats will be open at the CITY HALL till 7 P.M.

PRICES:—\$5, \$2 and \$1.
Soldiers and Sailors (in uniform) half-price to back seats only.

NOTICE.—A special train will run a quarter of an hour after fall of curtain every evening.
Hongkong, 17th April, 1899. [424a]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 217.
THE following Particulars of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on

MONDAY,
the 24th day of April, 1899, at 3.30 P.M., are published for general information.
By Command.

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 8th April, 1899. [527a]

Particulars of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 24th day of April, 1899, at 3.30 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.	
No. of Sale.	Boundary Measurements.
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FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Steamship

"UNDAUNTED,"
will be despatched for the above port, on or about the 18th May.

For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 17th April, 1899. [528a]

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "VICTORIA,"
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKO-

HAMA, KOBE, MANILA AND
SHANGHAI.

The Above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
Agents.

Hongkong, 17th April, 1899. [529a]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"LIGHTNING,"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after the 19th instant, at 2 P.M., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Vanchai.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE DELIVERY of their Goods from alongside, such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Bill of Lading will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 17th April, 1899. [524a]

To-day's
Advertisements.

THE EQUITABLE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE U.S.
M. R. FERNAND KIENE has this day ASSUMED CHARGE of the SOUTH CHINA BRANCH.

By Order of the General Manager for the East,
W. H. TALBOT,
Sub-Manager for the East.
Hongkong, 17th April, 1899. [523a]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.
THE Company's Steamship

"HAIMUN."
Captain Bathurst, will be despatched for the above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 19th instant, at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARPAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 17th April, 1899. [525a]

Intimation.

A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED.
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

PORTS
(For Invalids and General Use.)

B.—VINTAGE superior quality, Red Capsule \$14.40

C.—FINE OLD VINTAGE, superior quality. Black and Capsule 10.20

D.—VERY FINE OLD VINTAGE extra superior. Violet Capsule (Old Bottled) 20.40

Port after removal should be rested for a month before use. Wine required for drinking at once should be ordered to be decanted at the Dispensary before being sent out. These Wines are too favourably known to need comment.

Sample bottles and smaller quantities will be supplied at proportionate wholesale rates.

We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorised Agents at the Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited,
"THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY."

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

It is requested that all communications relating to Subscriptions, Advertisements, &c., be addressed to the "Manager, Hongkong Telegraph," and not to the Editor. Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to the Editor, and not to the Manager.

Communications intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writer, not necessarily for publication, but as evidence of good faith. Which the columns of the Hongkong Telegraph will always be open to the fair discussion by correspondents of all questions affecting public interests; it must be distinctly understood that the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.

TO ADVERTISERS.
Advertisers are requested to forward all notices intended for insertion in this paper, not later than Three o'clock on any day, so as to retain the early publication of the paper. Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for publication will be continued until countermanded. The Hongkong Telegraph has the largest circulation of any English newspaper published in the Far East, and is therefore the best medium for Advertisers. Terms can be earned on application.

MARRIAGE.
On the 13th April, at the Cathedral, Hongkong, by the Rev. R. F. Cobbold, M.A., by Special License, L.T.V. daughter of James Bush, of Nottingham, to CEORIE SIMPSON, of H. B. M. Office of Works, London and Shanghai. No cards. Shanghai Papers please copy. [512a]

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, APRIL 17, 1899.

TELEGRAMS.

(By Telegraph.)

Special to the "Hongkong Telegraph."

THE PEKING SYNDICATE.

TIENTSIN, April 15th.

1.15 p.m.

An expedition in connection with the Peking Syndicate to Shansi and Honan has made a most successful journey. George Jameson has been appointed director of the Syndicate. Concessions have been granted to the Syndicate in Shansi and Chekiang. [This was issued as an Extra last night.]

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE BUDGET.

LONDON, April 14th.

Estimated expenditure, £112,927,000, against revenue, £110,487,000. It is proposed to reduce the annual deficit to £2,440,000.

millions, impose a stamp duty of five shillings per cent on Foreign and Colonial Stock, increase duties on companies, capital, impose a sixpenny stamp on Letters of allotment, and to increase the duties on wine. Sir Michael Hicks-Beach stated that the increased expenditure was mainly due to increased armaments; if these continued the country would have to face a large increase of taxation.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

It is notified in the Gazette that Surgeon-Captain F. O. Stedman, Hongkong Volunteer Corps, has been granted twelve months' leave of absence with effect from the 1st May.

It is notified in the Gazette that H.E. the Governor has been pleased to appoint Captain E. D. Sanders, Hongkong Volunteer Corps, to be Honorary Aide-de-Camp to His Excellency with effect from the 9th inst.

THE second and last performance was given by the French Comic Opera Company in St. Andrews Hall last Saturday night. Owing to so many other attractions being given simultaneously, the hall was not quite so full as last Monday; a very successful programme was gone through.

THE Commissioner of Customs writes us as follows:—

The Commissioner of Customs at Shanghai has notified me by telegram: "Medical Inspection at Tsung-pas-sha Island outside Woosung is enforced, from 22nd instant, on vessels arriving from Hongkong and Formosa."

A GRAND garden fete and fancy fair was held at East Point Lawns last Saturday afternoon and evening. The band of the Royal Welsh Fusiliers was in attendance and the H.M.S. Undaunted Blackbird Minstrels gave entertainments. The grounds were very prettily decorated and both financially and socially the fete was a grand success and reflects great credit on the ladies under whose management the garden party was carried out. We shall give a full account of the stalls etc., in to-morrow's issue.

MESSRS. DALLAS AND MUSGRAVE'S Dramatic Company produced Charles Reade's well known drama "It's never too late to mend" at the Theatre Royal, last Saturday night. By the time the curtain was raised, the management's favorite legend "Standing Room Only" had to be placed at the box office. It will seen by reference to the advertisement columns that owing to to-day being a public holiday, the box-plan for to-night's performance will be at the City Hall instead of Robinson Piano Co. We will give fuller details of the play in to-morrow's issue.

THE following returns of the average amount of Bank notes in circulation, and of specie in reserve in Hongkong, during the month ended 31st March, as certified by the managers of the respective Banks, are published:—

Banks.	Average Specie in Reserve.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China \$2,469,637	\$1,500,000
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation 6,903,870	4,500,000
National Bank of China, Limited 448,721	150,000
Total.....	\$9,821,228 \$6,150,000

A CHINESE PUZZLE.

Mr. Henry Norman asks:—Does the British Government regard the Yangtze Valley as in any special degree a sphere of British influence? The answer "Yes" may seem to be supplied by the fact that at our request the Chinese Government undertook that territory in that region should not be "mortgaged, leased, or ceded to another Power." It is certain that public opinion in this country regards the answer to the above question as being in the affirmative.

But "facts speak louder than words," and the acts of the Government appear to answer the question with an unmistakable "No." The new Blue-book proves, as we all suspected, that the Peking-Hankow line is a Russian move, hidden under a "Belgian syndicate," to bring Russian influence—and later, Russian soldiers—to the very heart of the Yangtze Valley, and moreover that the British Government, after discovering this fact, acquiesced in it, taking as compensation railway concessions in other parts of China. Equally conclusive of the "No" answer is the action of the British Government with regard to the Italian demand.

We are reduced to the following alternatives:—(1) The Italian Foreign Minister spoke inaccurately; or (2) Sanmoon Bay and Po-yang lake are not in the Yangtze "valley," or "region," or (3) The British Government has abandoned, if it ever held, the view that the Yangtze Valley is in a special degree a British sphere.

If supposition (1) be not correct, the British sphere stops at the Chuan Islands, i.e., actually to the north of a great part of the Yangtze river itself. As regards supposition (2), if Sanmoon Bay and a railway across Chekiang and Kiangsi to Po-yang lake, which is connected by water directly and at a short distance with the Yangtze, are not in the Yangtze "valley" or "region" will the British Government explain to us what this "Yangtze" sphere is? For in the absence of such explanation we are thrown back upon supposition (3); and our Yangtze "sphere of influence" in Central China is a myth, and we are all deceived.

Everybody seems to be evading this simple issue. Will not *The Times* bring it into the light, and cause us to be informed how a "region" can be a British sphere when we allow (a) a Russian strategic railway to penetrate to the heart of it in one place, and (b) when we encourage Italy to seize a naval base in it, and build a railway to the heart of it in another place? Or, if there be no British sphere at all, why did we compel China, year after year, to promise to-day, under penalty of grant to Italy?

THE KOWLOON HINTERLAND.

THE BRITISH TROOPS ATTACKED.

MONDAY'S CEREMONY ABANDONED.

THE BRITISH FLAG HOISTED.

April 16th.

As was anticipated, there has been trouble between the Chinese and British forces in the preliminary steps taken for the establishment of British jurisdiction in the Kowloon hinterland. Yesterday Captain Berger left with a Company of the Hongkong Regiment for Taipoh, in Mirs Bay, to pave the way for the ceremony of the hoisting of the British Flag, which was to have taken place on Monday. On arrival at Taipoh it was found that the Chinese had prepared a warm reception for the troops, and they were fired upon, but luckily without any disastrous result. The Chinese position, we understand, was carried, and the men encamped for the night, word being sent to Hongkong by signal that the detachment had been fired upon. On the news being received, three more companies of the Hongkong Regiment, in command of Colonel Retallick and Lieutenant Barrett, were despatched, at two o'clock morning, to the scene of the disturbance. This morning it was decided that, in view of the unforeseen hostility which was offered to the hoisting of the flag, it would be as well to abandon Monday's ceremony, and accordingly Major-General Gascoigne left in the *Brisk* to hoist the flag immediately, and the following express was circulated:—

EXPRESS.

Owing to unforeseen circumstances, the British Flag has been hoisted at Tai Po Hu to-day. No ceremony therefore will take place to-morrow.

By Order,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th April, 1898.

The warships in port were dressed and the Royal Standard was hoisted at the mainmast-head of the *Taihu*, and at one o'clock a Royal Salute was fired, the *Peacock* being towed over to Kowloon City, where she joined in the salute.

Colonel The O.Gorman left for Taipoh at one o'clock with an escort of the Hongkong Regiment and will join in the operations. During the day living has been jagged from the direction of Mirs Bay, but no definite news has been received as to how matters are going.

There is a rumour in circulation to the effect that Chinese troops are engaged to the number of some two thousand, but the report lacks confirmation. As a matter of fact, we cannot expect to hear the real state of affairs until the arrival of the *Brisk*.

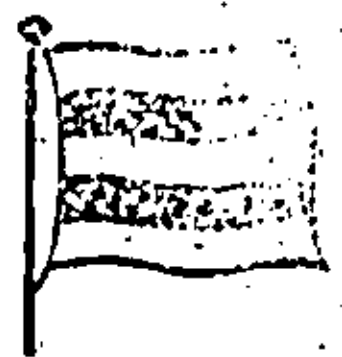
It is said that the steam tug *Praya*, which left yesterday for Taipoh with an officer of the Public Works Department for the purpose of erecting a flag staff for the hoisting of the flag, is missing. As the weather has been thick since may have been delayed by fog and will yet turn up safely.

A report is current in the town to the effect that one man of Captain May's detachment of Police has been killed, but the news lacks confirmation. The hurried departure of the troops prevented correspondents from accompanying them, but we hope to obtain full particulars of the proceedings to-morrow

Intimations.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
HIROSHIMA MARU	YOKOHAMA, MANILA, SINGAPORE, and Penang.	Thursday, 18th April, at Noon.
SADO MARU	YOKOHAMA, MANILA, SINGAPORE, and Penang.	Thursday, 18th April, at 4 P.M.
KAGURA MARU	YOKOHAMA, MANILA, SINGAPORE, and Penang.	Thursday, 18th April, at Noon.
YAWATA MARU	YOKOHAMA, MANILA, SINGAPORE, and Penang.	Thursday, 18th April, at 4 P.M.
KINSHU MARU	YOKOHAMA, MANILA, SINGAPORE, and Penang.	Thursday, 18th April, at Noon.
TAMBA MARU	YOKOHAMA, MANILA, SINGAPORE, and Penang.	Thursday, 18th April, at 4 P.M.

For further information as to Freight, Freight Rates, and apply at the Company's Local Branch Office at No. 7, Praya Central.

A. S. MIHARA, Manager.

Hongkong, 13th April, 1899.

MILWAUKEE BEER

IS FAMOUS

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HAS MADE IT SO.

CARLOWITZ & CO., SOLE AGENTS.

Hongkong, 9th December, 1898.

STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF NEW YORK.

THOMPSON AND BEDFORD DEPARTMENT.

Have in Stock and are now offering for sale a full line of

CYLINDER, ENGINE, & SPINDLE OILS.

MINERAL COLZA, 300° Fire Test.

A high grade burning Oil for Ship Engines, Light Houses, Tram Cars and Railway Trains, and for all uses where a highest degree of safety is required.

MINERAL WAX.

Candle, Semi-refined and Refined.

[1300]

BUILD UP THE BODY.

Influences are constantly at work to undermine health. When you lose flesh, take cold easily, become pale and weak, you need building up, so there will be no danger of taking disease.

Scott's Emulsion

Contains all the essential elements that give strength and vitality to the system. It increases the appetite for other food, enriches and builds the blood, assists in making healthy flesh, relieves inflammation of the throat and lungs, and overcomes all emaciated, weak conditions. Prepared by SCOTT & BOWNE, Limited, London. Sold by all Chemists.

Sole Agents for Hongkong and the Empire of China: WATKINS & Co., Hongkong.

SERRAVALLO'S FERRUGINOUS TONIC.

THE GREAT AUSTRIAN TONIC.

PERUVIAN BARK AND IRON.

Over 300 Medical Certificates testifying its great STRENGTH-GIVING, TONIC, and at the same time being of an

EXQUISITE TASTE.

Sole Agents for Hongkong:

A. S. WATSON & Co.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1898.

MEE CHEUNG, PHOTOGRAPHER.

TOP FLOOR OF ICE HOUSE, IN Ice-House Road.

IS now in a position, in his New and Commodious Premises, to eclipse, as heretofore, ALL PHOTOGRAPHIC ART PRACTICED in the Colony or in any part of the Far East. GROUPS AND VIEWS a speciality.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1898.

SIEN TING, SURGEON-DENTIST.

No. 10, D'AGUIAR STREET.

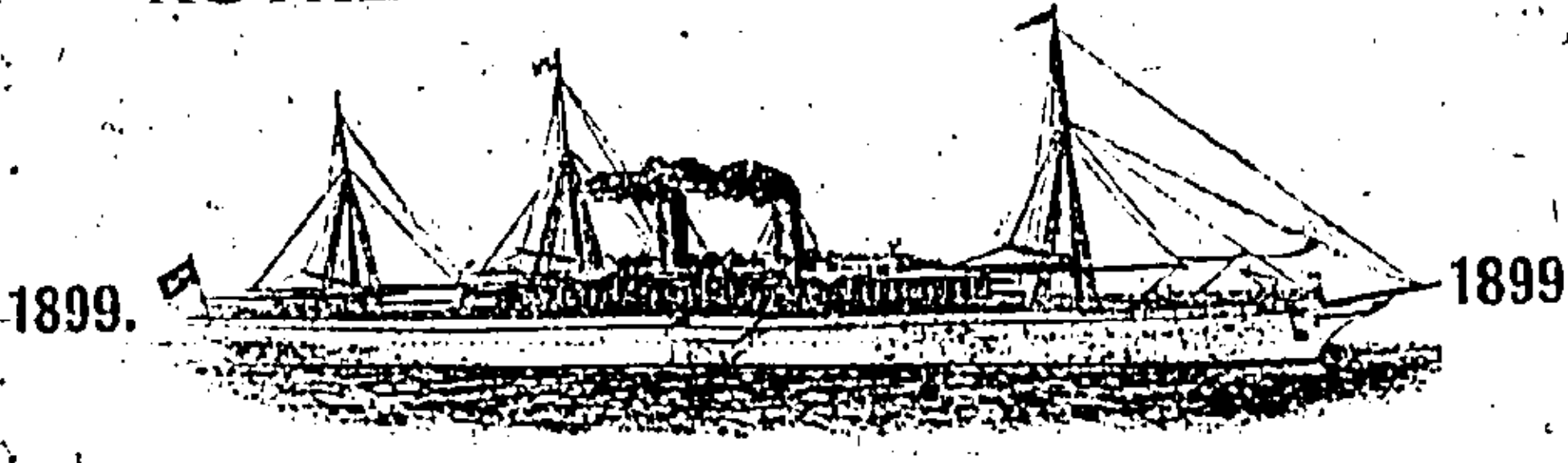
TERMS VERY MODERATE.

Consultation free.

Hongkong, 27th September, 1898.

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY.'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.



SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY. THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.

Twin Screw Steamships—6000 Tons—10000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPEROR OF JAPAN...Comdr. D. P. Marshall, R.N.R., WEDNESDAY, 26th April, 1899.
EMPEROR OF JAPAN...Comdr. Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R., WEDNESDAY, 17th May, 1899.
EMPEROR OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R., WEDNESDAY, 7th June, 1899.

THE magnificent Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous ISLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER, B.C., in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PACIFIC TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points AND AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates. Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months. SPECIAL RATES: First class only, granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of the Company's route enhance its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, second to none in the World, the LUXURANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS, the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition, and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unequalled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Hongkong, 5th April, 1899.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.

TO SAN FRANCISCO, VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

HONGKONG MARU...via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu.

YAMATO MARU...via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu.

AMERICA MARU...via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu.

THE Steamship

HONGKONG MARU, will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, AND HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 25th April, at Noon, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE, have the choice of Overland Rail routes from San Francisco including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European Officials in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's, and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent, Hongkong, 11th March, 1899.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
BABELSBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	21st April, Freight and Passage.
SERIEA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	25th April, Freight.
SARMA	(LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	28th April, Freight and Passage.
SAVOIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	1st May, Freight and Passage.
LAGER	(LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	4th May, Freight and Passage.
HEIDELBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	8th May, Freight and Passage.
SCHLESWIG	(LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	11th May, Freight and Passage.
KONIGSBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	15th May, Freight and Passage.
Christiansen	(LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	18th May, Freight and Passage.

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8th April, 1899.

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ATCHAFAYAN TOPEKA & SANTA FE RAILROAD CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG TO SAN FRANCISCO AND SAN DIEGO.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

Taking Cargo and Passengers to Japan Ports and Honolulu. The United States, Mexico, Central & South America, &c.

Proposed Sailing Dates: 29th April, 30th April, 1st May, 2nd May, 3rd May, 4th May, 5th May, 6th May, 7th May, 8th May, 9th May, 10th May, 11th May, 12th May, 13th May, 14th May, 15th May, 16th May, 17th May, 18th May, 19th May, 20th May, 21st May, 22nd May, 23rd May, 24th May, 25th May, 26th May, 27th May, 28th May, 29th May, 30th May, 31st May, 1st June, 2nd June, 3rd June, 4th June, 5th June, 6th June, 7th June, 8th June, 9th June, 10th June, 11th June, 12th June, 13th June, 14th June, 15th June, 16th June, 17th June, 18th June, 19th June, 20th June, 21st June, 22nd June, 23rd June, 24th June, 25th June, 26th June, 27th June, 28th June, 29th June, 30th June, 1st July, 2nd July, 3rd July, 4th July, 5th July, 6th July, 7th July, 8th July, 9th July, 10th July, 11th July, 12th July, 13th July, 14th July, 15th July, 16th July, 17th July, 18th July, 19th July, 20th July, 21st July, 22nd July, 23rd July, 24th July, 25th July, 26th July, 27th July, 28th July, 29th July, 30th July, 31st 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